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2. ON THE U.S. SIDE, THE PROGRAM'S PARTICIPATION IS FUNDED FROM THE FAA'S RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BUDGET. THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, AVIATION AND WEATHER HELD HEARINGS ON FEBRUARY 22 AND 24 ON THE FAA'S FY 78 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BUDGET REQUEST INCLUDING AEROSAT. ON MARCH 3 THE SUBCOMMITTEE DECIDED TO RECOMMEND TO ITS PARENT COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION REEVALUATE THE AEROSAT FUNDING MECHANISM, AND THAT UNTIL A MORE SATISFACTORY FUNDING PLAN IS PROPOSED, THE COMMITTEE NOT AUTHORIZE THE AEROSAT PROGRAM. THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FURTHER STATES THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL

CONSIDER ADDITIONAL OR SUPPLEMENTAL LEGISLATION IF A NEW AEROSAT FUNDING PLAN IS FORTHCOMING FROM THE ADMINISTRATION.

3. ESA AND CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVES WERE AT THE SUBCOMMITTEE SESSION ON MARCH 3 AND THE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION IS ALREADY KNOWN IN OTTAWA AND AT ESA HEADQUARTERS. THIS CONGRESSIONAL ACTION IS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF ADDRESSEE POSTS FOR THEIR INFORMATION ONLY. HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED OF ANY OFFICIAL COMMENT ON AEROSAT COMING TO THE ATTENTION OF ADDRESSEE POSTS.

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